

## **Minutes of the Public Works Committee - August 25, 2005**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Manke who led the committee with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present:** Chair Richard Manke, County Board Supervisors James Behrend, Peter Gundrum, James Jeskewitz, Karl Nilson, Rodell Singert, David Swan

**Staff Present:** County Board Chief of Staff Lee Esler, Legis.Associate Sandra Meisenheimer

**Also Present:** Public Works Bldg. Operations Supervisor Scott Miller, Central Fleet Mgr. Bob Rauchle, County Board Supervisor Joe Marchese

### **Public Comment**

Jane Crisler, Interim Dean of UW-Waukesha, introduced herself to the committee. She stated that they are very excited about having the Northview Hall project back on line. She said she would like to appear before the committee in the future to give an update.

### **Correspondence / Future Agenda Items / Meeting Approvals**

1. Manke discussed a letter from Gerald Schmitz, Chairman of Town of Lisbon, regarding the necessity of installing stop signs at the Lake Five Road / County VV intersection.

2. Esler referred to an invitation to the Wisconsin & Southern Railroad 8<sup>th</sup> Annual State of the Railroad Address on September 9, 2005 at the Marriott Madison West in Middleton, WI.

**Motion:** Swan moved, second by Behrend, to approve committee attendance to the Railroad Address in Middleton on 9/9/05. **Motion carried 7- 0.**

3. Esler advised of an email from Paul Rogers of Airshows of Wisconsin regarding his request for a potential aviation event to be held at Crites Field. Esler said this has been an on -going request for the past five years (*future agenda item*).

4. Manke addressed a magazine entitled "Wisconsin Transportation Building (The Official Publication for the Wisconsin Transportation Builders Assn., Summer 2005)."

### **Consider Bid for Installation of a New Crane and Runway at the Waukesha County Central Fleet Maintenance Facility**

Miller and Rauchle were present. **Motion:** Behrend moved, second by Singert, to approve the bid from Metropolitan Crane & Hoist Company, Inc. in the amount of \$121,974 for the installation of a new crane and runway at the Central Fleet Maintenance facility.

Miller stated the original building, which was built in the 90's, was designed for two cranes but because of budget constraints only one crane was installed. The infrastructure (I-beams and supports) was designed to support the second crane along with the electrical service. This project was presented to Purchasing as a request for a sole/single source purchase. It matches the existing crane. The thinking there was to have two of the same for operation, maintenance and upkeep to make the equipment the best it can be. Miller pointed out the form that went to Purchasing and was signed by Director Bolte, which shows he agrees with the bid and the cost.

Nilson asked is Metropolitan Crane & Hoist the actual manufacturer of the crane? Miller said yes. This is the only company this crane can be purchased from. Miller said it was necessary to get this bid before the committee today because steel prices are very volatile at this time and expected to increase by November 1. Nilson asked is Metropolitan Crane & Hoist an old company and will it be around for a while? Miller said they've been around a long time.

Jeskewitz asked what is the biggest advantage of having a second crane? Rauchle said not moving any equipment. The building was designed for two cranes so with only one crane they would have to tear the equipment apart on the side that has the crane and then move it to the other side of the building. Rauchle said the biggest concern for this project has been the steel costs.

County Board Supervisor Joe Marchese (District #5) appeared and asked questions about the steel being used, type of construction, whether the project is on budget, etc. He agrees that the second crane is needed. He doesn't like it that the costs and specs aren't known until the bid comes before the committee. Miller said Fischer-Fischer-Theis, Inc., the original architect/engineer who designed the building, had the specifications so they had good information. There is a process that is followed. **Motion carried 7 – 0.**

#### **Future Agenda Items**

1. Esler said at the next meeting there will be a review of the Five Year Capital Projects Plan.
2. Manke suggested a discussion on the State Administrative Rule regarding the 25% local share on road construction.
3. Singert asked about having a discussion on the airport.

#### **Approve Minutes of August 11, 2005**

**Motion:** Singert moved, second by Swan, to approve the minutes of 8/11/05. **Motion carried 7 – 0.**

**Motion to adjourn:** Behrend moved, second by Gundrum, to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 a.m.  
Motion carried 7 – 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rodell L. Singert  
Secretary

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